



"And when the day of Pentecost was fully come they were all with one accord in one place." Acts 2:1. "And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost and began to speak with other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance." Acts 2:4.

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## Renew Our Days of Old

BY LEONARD MARCUM

Lam. 5:21.

Dear Evangel readers, I have for some time been impressed to write a message on this subject and I sincerely hope it will be a blessing to some one that possibly needs renewing.

While visiting different places and churches I have heard remarks made by some of the older saints, that they were not receiving the blessings and favors of God as they did when the Pentecostal blessings first began to be poured out a few years ago. It has become a very important question among the Pentecostal people, as to just why they fail to receive as great blessings now as they did when they first received the baptism with the Holy Ghost. If you will go with me, we will try to find out some of the reasons:

Rev. 2:4, 5, "Nevertheless I have somewhat against thee, because thou hast left thy first love. Remember therefore from when thou art fallen, and repent."

St. Matt. 24:12, "And because iniquity shall abound the love of many shall wax cold."

This falling from our first love and waxing cold is being wrought in the hearts of the saints through the deception of Satan himself, with his cunning craftiness, and lying in wait to deceive, working his way into the hearts, thereby gaining admittance to the churches, and has sown the seed of strife, discord, and

jealousy, thereby destroying the love and fellowship among our good people.

In Prov. 26:21 Solomon says, "As coals are to burning coals, and wood to fire; so is a contentious man to kindle strife."

And through this avenue of contentiousness Satan has caused to cease to flow, to a certain extent, the burning of that divine love that was shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Ghost, so that we need to repent and get back to our first love, the love that we had when we first received the baptism with the Holy Ghost and fire. Oh, glory to God!

Again we listen to the words of the wise man Solomon, S. of S. 8:6, "For love is strong as death; jealousy is cruel as the grave." Oh praise His dear name. Brother, as I write I feel that great love sweeping over me as it did when I received the blessing. Oh how we need to labor under the great banner of love.

Again Solomon says, S. of S. 2:4, "He brought me to the banqueting house and his banner over me was love," speaking of the Church. Now we will remember the text: "Renew our days as of old." Webster says to renew means to replace with new material, or a new thing of the same sort, or fill again.

Now dear readers, I feel that the love that once filled our hearts has, to a certain extent, leaked out, and I truly believe that we should ask God to fill us

again with the same sort, renew our days as of old, replace in our hearts our first love, to the overflowing with that good old Pentecostal fire. Hallelujah!

Now we have dealt with the most vital need to effect a renewal of our first love and to rebuild our power with God again.

Now we hear the Apostle Paul at 1 Tim. 4:1, by revelation of the Holy Ghost, looking down to the last days: "The Spirit speaketh expressly, that in the latter times some shall depart from the faith, giving heed to seducing spirits, and doctrines of devils." "Depart" means to leave, go away from. "Seduce" means to lead away from the path of duty. I believe that we are living right now in that age when the evil spirits are seducing and leading astray from the path of duty, and from the faith of the gospel of Christ, many of God's children. Let us take heed lest we also be led away by that wicked one and when Jesus calls we will not hear His voice.

Satan has always fought God's financial system, that is, tithing, and has drawn away many who have been enlightened and have supported this system for awhile, and supported the gospel with their tithes and offerings, but we hear the Prophet Malachi saying, "Return unto me and I will return unto you, saith the Lord of hosts. But ye said

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## Notices

The New Mexico camp meeting will convene at Carlsbad, New Mexico, July 1-8, (under tent). Services begin Thursday, July 1 and continue through Thursday, July 8—eight big days and nights just packed full and running over of old-time preaching, praying, singing, shouting and Bible study. Ministers, members, friends in New Mexico and neighboring states, bring your camping outfit and spend the Fourth of July in an old-time, Holy Ghost, Church of God camp meeting. Brother and Sister Waters and the Burnett sisters are to be with us and Brother and Sister Kutz, also other folks from out of the state, and our own good New Mexico preachers and singers will be present. For further information write Brother M. E. Drake, Box 771, Carlsbad, New Mexico.—Yours for a great camp meeting, John E. Douglas, state overseer, Box 153, Clayton, New Mexico.

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The Rock Hill, S. C. district convention will convene at Rock Hill June 4-6, under a tent just across the street from the church. We are expecting the greatest convention this district has ever had. Every one, especially singers, musicians, and ministers are cordially invited. Dinner will be spread on the grounds Sunday. Everybody bring a well-filled basket.—Linwood Jacobs, district overseer.

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If you are a member of the Bethel Church and live a distance a way and cannot attend our all-day meeting June 13, be sure that you send in your 25c on the camp ground, 10c for aged ministers. Don't forget this all-day service.—W. W. Ball, pastor, Lake Park, Ga.

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### NORTH CENTRAL CAMP MEETING AND CONVENTION

of the Church of God for Michigan and Ontario convenes at the Bible Conference Tabernacle, Lake Odessa, Mich., June 19, 7:30 P. M., to June 29, inclusive. We are expecting many out-of-state speakers from Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Minnesota, and South Dakota. We extend a hearty welcome to our sister states to come and be with us at this great camp meeting. Some special features on the program are, a twenty-piece orchestra, the Olson Quartet from Mobridge, S. Dak., the McElyea family, radio artists and singers, and many other attractions that will bless the meetings. Best of all we expect a great TIME IN THE LORD! We ask all who play instruments to bring them. Pastors, mention this so your players will

not forget. Come for the first and stay until the end. For full particulars write me at Grand Ledge, Mich.—Paul H. Walker, state overseer.

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Any one desiring to contact me can do so by writing to Box 473, Herman, Minn., c/o H. E. Ramsey.—Dorothy Diffenderfer.

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To the Sunday Schools of Georgia: We wish to announce that Harmony and Livingston Chapel tied on increase percentage for April, with 150 per cent each. For this reason we will be unable to award the state banner for April. Ev-

### Special Notice!

For the benefit of those who are making inquiry, I am quoting from a letter I received from John L. Lewis in regard to members attending Local Union meetings:

"Mr. J. H. Walker, Gen'l Overseer The Church of God, Montgomery Avenue, Cleveland, Tennessee.  
"Dear Mr. Walker:

"I am in receipt of your letter of March 13. No law in our organization gives any Local Union the right to fine a member for not attending Local Union meetings. The question of attending meetings is one which each individual may decide for himself.

"Very truly yours,

"JOHN L. LEWIS."

ery Sunday School has a chance to increase. Let's do our best.

To the Y. P. E's: Be sure to send in your monthly reports promptly. Remember the Cobbtown district Y. P. E. and S. S. convention will convene June 11-13 at Livingston Chapel. Augusta convention will convene June 18-20 at Augusta church. Let's make these last conventions the best of all. Pray lots and come expecting a feast from the Lord.—J. L. McCoy, State Supt., Box 487, Macon, Ga.

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A new church was set in order May 9 with sixteen members, at Packard, Ky., with Mrs. Lillie Hurn, Packard, Ky., clerk.—Ed Johnson, Harlan, Ky.

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There will be a revival meeting starting at Wishek, N. Dak., on June 9, at 8:00 p. m., with Brother L. G. Rouse of Akron, Ohio doing the preaching. Everybody in the Northwest and other parts are heartily invited to attend. Come and help us pray and make the meeting a suc-

cess.—H. A. Saylor, pastor.

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### THE LAST CALL!

The Tennessee state convention begins Thursday, June 10, at 7:30 P. M. at the Church of God Auditorium in Cleveland, and closes Sunday, the 13th, at noon. We expect you to be there. Be sure to bring your own sheets, pillows, and covers. We furnish the bed, mattress and room; you furnish the linens. Good meals will be served on the grounds at reasonable prices.—M. P. Cross, state overseer; W. J. Milligan, chairman of Entertainment Committee.

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In the revival conducted by Georgia Schultz at Battle Creek, Mich. there were three saved, two sanctified and none filled with the Holy Ghost. A week later two came into the church. The report in the Evangel gave two sanctified and two filled with the Holy Ghost. They were only sanctified.—W. T. Truett.

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If any one has a good trailer that you want to sell at a reasonable price, I will pay cash. Would like to have one that will sleep four people. If you have one, write me at Pineville, W. Va., general delivery, and I will come and look at it, or you can send me a picture of it.—R. H. Tadlock.

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There will be an all-day state Y. P. E. singing convention in Spartanburg the third Sunday in June. Brother Otis McCoy with his quartet from Cleveland, Tenn., and a number of good singers from other states will be present. We hope to secure the Spartanburg high school building. Everybody come, bring a sandwich and enjoy the day.—C. F. Grant, State Y. P. E. Supt., Spartanburg, S. C.

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We are planning on starting a revival at Mt. Pleasant, Tenn., just after the state meeting which convenes June 10-13. The date will be announced later. Brother Cross has promised to send a preacher here. Saints, pray for this place. No doubt there will be opposition but we are praying that God will give the victory. I ask the saints at Eldorado, Ill. to be sure to pray for us.—H. L. Medley.

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To the members of the Church of God at Fort Myers, Fla.: I have been appointed by your church as corresponding clerk to ask that you attend church at least once each three months or write me a letter stating your present spiritual condition. We need you and you need the church. Let us co-operate. In unity there is strength.—B. B. Atkinson, 2834 Marsh Ave., Fort Myers, Fla.

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# Form of Godliness

BY BUFORD VOLLRATH

*"Having a form of godliness but denying the power thereof," 2 Tim. 3:5.*

As we look out over the vast multitudes of people today, who profess to know God but are void of God's power, our hearts are made sad. Formality has taken the place of the old-time Pentecostal power. Here in our text Paul, through the Holy Ghost, prophesied of a people who would be in the last days with just a form of godliness. We are certain that Paul's prophecy is being fulfilled.

Now we want you to notice another scripture in Titus 1:10-16. Here Paul in writing to Titus has warned him of certain people who would be vain talkers, deceivers, and unruly, teaching things they ought not, for filthy lucre's sake. We find that this certainly is true today. There are hundreds of preachers who have lowered the standard of God's Word for the sake of money, and just have a form of godliness, denying the power of God. And Paul, in verse 12, speaks of certain people as evil beasts and slow bellies (or lazy gluttons). We know that there are preachers just like Paul describes (2 Tim. 4:3, 4), who are also lazy, just out preaching for the dollar instead of lost souls, having a form of godliness but will not accept God's power.

Paul goes on in verse 16 of Titus 1, to say that they profess to know God but in their works they deny Him. Yes, in their works God is left out, and the Apostle Peter in 2 Peter also speaks of false teachers who in the last days would be among the people who would bring in damnable heresies, even denying the Lord that bought them, etc., and many shall follow them and the truth shall be evil spoken of. In verse 10 Peter says these shall speak evil of dignities, etc., and despise government, and finally in verse 12 he says these are natural brute beasts (or natural animals, without reason). When God says, "Come and let us reason together," these people will not reason. They are just like beasts when it comes to reasoning with them concerning the truth. The Scriptures further say that they speak evil of things they understand not. I know this to be true. People speak evil of the Holy Ghost and speaking in tongues and say it isn't of God, etc., when they don't even know or understand. Jude 10 says they speak evil of things they know not but what they know naturally as brute beasts (or savage beasts), in those things they corrupt themselves.

Verse 11, "Woe unto them for they

have gone in the way of Cain and ran greedily after the error of Balaam for reward." 1 John 3:12 John says for us not to follow after Cain, but love one another, etc. Cain is a type of the same kind of people that Paul describes in Rom. 10:1-3. He says these have a zeal of God but not according to knowledge. He says they go about to establish their own righteousness but have not submitted themselves unto the righteousness of God. Now this is the way Cain did in offering up his sacrifice to God. He tried to bring a different sacrifice to God from the one required of God. So are these who have a form of godliness. They are trying to substitute some other way of getting to heaven, but like Cain they reject the redemption through the blood. They teach that we get it all when converted. They are trying to climb up some other way. Please read 2 Peter 2:1-2; Acts 20:28, and notice the words "bought" and "purchased."

In 2 Thess. 2:9-12 we find Paul again speaking of this same class of people. He, speaking of iniquity and the revealing of the wicked one, etc. (or beast, verses 3, 4; Rev. 13:1), says concerning the coming of Jesus to reign, "him shall the Lord consume . . . even him, whose coming is after the working of Satan with all power and signs and lying wonders, and with all deceivableness of unrighteousness in THEM THAT PERISH; because they received not the love of the truth, that might be saved. And for this cause (because they rejected the truth, v. 10) God shall send strong delusion, that they all should believe a lie: that they all might be damned who believe not in the truth." In Mark 16:15-17 Jesus told His disciples to go into all the world and preach the gospel and he that believeth (or accepteth the truth) shall be saved (or escape God's wrath, if he shall endure, Matt. 24:13) and he that believeth not shall be damned (or have a deluded mind and believe a lie, etc., and be damned). And these signs shall follow them that believe; they shall cast out devils, they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover, etc.

Now, dear reader, where are you standing? You are either on one side or the other. When the true gospel is preached and you begin to refuse to walk in the light, you are taking your stand with this crowd who refuses the truth, and have a form of godliness, or, if you are a believer and continue with the believers, these signs shall follow you that are mentioned in Mark 16:17. In Matt. 7:24-27

Jesus says, "Whosoever heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them, I will liken him unto a man, which built his house upon the rock:" and when trials, etc. come he is able to stand (or accounted worthy to escape, Luke 21:34-36), but the other man fell because he failed to do His saying. There are multitudes today, rejecting the truth but listen, this is a dangerous thing. God might turn you over to a deluded mind, etc.

Now in Luke 6:46 Jesus says, "Why call ye me Lord, Lord, and do not the things I say?" These people profess to know God. They go to church and sing and use God's name, etc., but will not submit to the true gospel. They deny the power of God and these are also the ones who shall follow the beast during the great tribulation and who, He says, is likened unto him. Read Rev. 13:1-5. Notice the final reward of these people, Rev. 14:9-11. We find here this angel says that those who follow the beast shall drink of the wrath of God and shall be tormented with fire and brimstone and shall not rest day nor night. 2 Peter 2:1, 2, "And bring upon themselves swift destruction." In Jude 15 we find that God shall execute judgment on them and in Rev. 14:9-20 we find that the blood of those who worship the beast shall be up to the horses' bridles.

The true gospel is going into all the world before the end, and it is up to you to accept it or reject it. If you accept it and follow the believers, the signs shall follow, but if you take sides with the other crowd, by rejecting the truth, you will be among the class described in 2 Thess. 2:9-12.

## Revival

FITZGERALD, Ga. — We thank the Lord for the way He met with us in a battle in Nashville, Ga. About four weeks ago we stretched a gospel tent in this place and opened fire on the enemy. The devil worked but in spite of all his opposing power God came to our rescue and we feel that lasting good was accomplished. Four were added to the church, three saved, two sanctified. We have a new gospel tent that we are using on the Fitzgerald district. Pray much that God will give us many souls for our labor. We feel Brother Marion Harper is a man of God.—J. A. Hipps, district overseer.

The things we think we know and don't know are just assumption but the things we know and know we know are true knowledge.



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## Editorials

### SUNDAY SCHOOL LITERATURE

We would be glad every one would send Sunday School literature orders as early as possible. This will aid us in getting off the orders without a rush and also save us having to hire extra help. Please remember that our Teacher's Quarterly is increasing in information every quarter and if you want to get a book that takes in the entire lesson, just order a Teacher's Quarterly.

### PUBLISHING HOUSE

The Publishing House is doing more printing than it has ever done and we feel sure that every one will be pleased with the report this year. All are working for the best interest of the Church. We are learning every year to do more work in the same length of time. Each employee is learning his work better and I feel that I can safely say we are doing almost twice the amount of work that we did a few years ago with the same number of hands.

### STATEMENTS

We have had more statements returned this time than any other quarter. We are publishing a list of names of those whose statements have been returned to the Publishing House. We do not wish to reflect on our patronage but we feel that it is necessary to try to get the proper address of these parties. It takes several dollars to pay postage on these statements each quarter and then to have them returned we feel is real expensive. If any one who can will aid us in getting the proper addresses of these, we will appreciate it.

### THE WORKING POWERS OF SATAN

2 Thess. 2:8-10, "And then shall that Wicked be revealed, whom the Lord shall consume with the spirit of his mouth, and shall destroy with the brightness of his coming: Even him, whose coming is after the working of Satan with all power and

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signs and lying wonders, and with all deceivableness of unrighteousness in them that perish; because they received not the love of the truth, that they might be saved."

Our text refers to the Antichrist and his power to deceive the people. This deception has been going on for almost two thousand years and it has been under divine restraint, but it seems that Satan is certainly using his forces right now. The whole country is filled with a spirit of deception. Thousands of people are being swept off their balance by those who are led by Satan. It seems that Father Divine has taken the lead in this great deception. We have just read a piece from Book of Prophecy of one who is writing under the name of Godfrey Ray King. This man claims that he has visions from the skies and has received from the spirit world revelations concerning the one and only one salvation. It is said that he has deceived many who claimed to be Christians. The Bible tells us they will deceive the very elect if possible. He doesn't directly denounce the Bible but speaks of its imperfection and failing to harmonize, and claims to have a revelation that makes religion harmonize and brings peace among men.

Psa. 19:105, "Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my pathway." Millions have died in faith trusting in the precious old Word of God. They have left their testimony telling us of the consolation and comfort that God's Word has afforded and how it has guided them safely into the land of bliss, and we are willing to risk our all on its sacred truths. Never in the history of man has there been as much deception as there is today. It would pay all to stick to the precious Word and pillar their heads on its promises for we are sure it is right.

Paul's advice to the Thessalonians was that it would be expedient for those who had begun to be forward in doing whatever they find the Word admonishes them to do.

### LABOR CONFUSIONS

Never before in the history of America have we faced a more serious time. Just as business picks up and the majority of people are earning a living, hot-headed leaders, whom I am afraid haven't the best interest of the laborers at heart, have stirred up confusion all over this United States. I believe in protecting labor. I think every man should have a good living, and a firm that will not pay its hands a sufficient wage to purchase a good, comfortable living, is certainly doing the wrong thing. The oppression of labor in the past and the hording up of millions by corporation and trust and individual ownership of factories has caused dissatisfaction among the laboring class of people. It would pay every manufacturer to meet and agree on a wage for every class of work and prove to the laboring people that they mean to treat them right. If this labor trouble is not settled, it will throw us into the worst panic that has ever hit the United States. On the other hand, many of these labor agitators are communistic and they care nothing for the interest of the laboring man. All they want is to get them to rebel and throw the government into a panic and make it possible for them to have a large enough number of citizens to carry out their rebellion. All of this is aimed at God and His people. Some day they will pay the price for this awful rebellion against the Creator of heaven and earth. This last steel strike has caused more suffering among the laboring class than any strike in many years. For the sake of humanity, those who know God should call upon Him for guidance for this is truly a serious question. This is none other than the Antichrist spirit that is filling this world with darkness and unbelief. Truly it is no wonder that Satan is appearing as an angel of light and he is manifesting his Satanic powers through the rulers of this world and they are the workers of darkness. Eph. 6:12, "For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places."

Let us pray lest the light that is in us become darkness. How great will be the darkness of those who are deceived by these Satanic spirits. Isa. 5:20, "Woe unto them that call evil good, and good evil; that put darkness for light, and light for darkness; that put bitter for sweet, and sweet for bitter!"

Thoughts worthwhile can never get very far on a single track mind as superstition and ignorance usually block the traffic and very few such passengers are willing to be detained while their worst enemies are being entertained.

## The PERRY-SCOPE

TREASURES—NEW AND OLD FROM FAR AND NEAR

Conducted by Sam C. Perry

### THE MAN WHO WHOLLY FOLLOWED THE LORD

Josh. 14:6-14.

In this lesson we have a most wonderful example of the results and rewards of godly living. Of all the men of Israel over twenty years old, who came out of Egypt, Caleb and Joshua are the only ones who were allowed to go through to the promised land. All the rest died in the wilderness, and because of their sins. In this lesson we are studying the life of Caleb.

God blessed Caleb, kept and preserved him in all the way, and now when he is an old man he enjoys unusual blessings and is still going forward in the service of God.

1. His proper attitude to Jehovah is the determining feature of all the good that came to Caleb. This is the secret of a happy and successful life for any man, in any age. Life apart from God and His will can have no promising outlook.

2. Caleb remembered the words of God. He makes special mention of what God had said to Moses concerning himself and Joshua (v. 6). It was faith in God's word that made Caleb stand firm and give a true report of the land, while the other ten spies were giving an evil report, discouraging the people and destroying their faith in God. God's promises are always true and in them every heavenly pilgrim has a staff upon which to lean in all the heavenly journey.

3. Caleb was an honest man, and dealt truthfully. He said his report was "as it was in mine heart." It could not have been a very pleasant thing for Caleb and Joshua to stand out against the other ten spies, but it was not a matter of pleasing the people or of making it easy for themselves. They must tell the truth. God's cause was at stake and His interests, above all, must be cared for. So it is ever that the true worshipers of God have the cause of the Lord at heart and they labor and even suffer for its promotion.

4. To please the Lord was Caleb's highest aspiration. It seems most natural for men to desire the favor of others, or to find easy sailing for themselves. To "follow the Lord wholly" Caleb had to be beyond all such sinister motives, and so do those today who would live the life which Jesus has planned for all who please Him fully.

5. Notice, because of Caleb's faithful service to Jehovah, he was awarded a special inheritance, and this is according to God's dealing with all who are faithful

—a reward according to their service. "Be thou faithful unto death and I will give thee a crown of life," Rev. 2:10.

Read the Scriptures again and again and you will always find something new. The Bible has been likened to a treasure house. Every time you pass through you will discover gems of richness and beauty before unknown.

The sympathy and pity formed by the grace of God are far greater than those that arise merely from nature.

It has been said that "tale-bearers and tale-hearers are alike guilty: the one hath the devil in his tongue, the other in his ear."

At first Satan may ask but little, but in this he undermines and loosens the roots of faith, then under the next gust of temptation the tree more easily falls.

To remember the sufferings of Christ is the best defense against sin at any time.

The conversation of many is such that you may well fear that Satan is in control of their lips, for their words do honor him.

### Young People's Corner

#### EVIL COMPANY

"Be not deceived; evil communications corrupt good manners," 1 Cor. 15:33.

"Thou shalt not follow a multitude to do evil," Exod. 23:2.

The world is full of evil. How and why sin came into God's universe has puzzled the wisest men.

We are told plainly how it came into our world—the agent, the temptation, the fall of man, and its disastrous effects. It has spread everywhere to all earth's inhabitants. To guard against its presence and effects for the present and to all eternity, is man's greatest task. To this our text exhorts.

Should we desire to locate evil and the basis from which it operates and something of how it operates in humanity, we might notice:

1. That it is located in and operates from the human heart. This fountain being sinful and corrupt, sends forth a

stream that is necessarily the same. The human heart is the natural home of sinful feelings, desires, and actions, so the life of man is completely sinful.

2. The natural man is under the influence of Satan, the originator of evil: his presence and power tend only to lead men on in the way of evil.

3. Through example, children, as they are old enough to think and act, ignorantly come up into the ways of sin and sinful practices.

4. Certainly to walk in the straight and narrow way of faith, obedience to God, crucifixion of the flesh, etc., as Christ demands, all sin must be forsaken.

As the multitudes of earth follow evil, it is more difficult for the few who serve God to go the other way. It is much easier to follow the crowd. The tendency is that way. It is so because some act from impulse, rather than from judgment. Some look up to others and are influenced by them—the poor to the rich, the ignorant to the learned, children to the parents, etc.

To forsake and stand aloof from the multitude requires determination and fortitude. There are few but what are influenced by the opinions of those about them.

In our text we have a solemn warning, "Be not deceived," and a firm command, "Thou shalt not." If you are a true Christian, a follower of the meek and lowly Lamb, what pleasure can you find in the company of those who find no pleasure in Him or in His service? It is the things you used to love but now hate that they love. To place yourself on a plane with sinners is to grieve your Master. To bring them on to a plane with yourself will require more than a little social relation.

In all ages and dispensations God's people have obeyed this command—"Come out from among them, and be ye separate." It was so with Noah, Abraham, the prophets, apostles, and truly pious in all the countries of the world.

The company of unbelievers is dangerous. In that day each one shall reap for himself alone, and the wages of sin is death. A multitude of evil doers cannot avert God's wrath or make the misery of one less, but each must die alone and appear for himself at the judgment bar.

### Healed of High Blood Pressure

MAYO, Fla.—Dear Evangel readers, I praise the Lord for healing my body. The dear Lord has healed me of many things. I had high blood pressure and, praise the good Lord, He came on the scene and healed my body. I am praising Him for it.

Please pray for me that I will be a soul winner for my blessed Savior.—Mrs. J. T. McClain, Rt. 1, Box 93.

## News from the Mission Field

ZENO C. THARP, Secretary, Mission Board

### FROM CENTRAL AMERICA

We, all the believers throughout our work in Guatemala, enjoyed the visit of Brothers Walker and Ingram in the month of March. The believers told us they could feel the power of the Holy Ghost with divine love as Brother Walker preached the Word and sang the beautiful hymns. They ask, "When will he visit us again?" Brother Ingram is loved by all the believers here. Missionaries, workers, and believers were encouraged to press on in God. He visited all of the main stations of the work while here. He left us by train from Mazatenango, en route for Port San Hose, Saturday, March 27.

We returned from Mazatenango to Totonicapan the day he left. It seemed strange that he was not with us. Sunday (Easter) morning there was a service at Chuisuc. After noon there was a service in a grove between Totonicapan and San Cristobal. Sixteen were baptized in the river. At the close of the night service we observed the Lord's Supper and feet washing. The power of the Lord came down and there was singing, shouting and speaking in tongues. An unsaved brother attended the service and he accepted the Lord, saying that he felt the desire for salvation and wanted the joy of the Lord as the believers manifested as they washed one another's feet.

We visited Nebaj in April. This is a beautiful town hid away in the mountains of North Quiche. We traveled from here to Sacapulas in the car, stayed there overnight. It was very hot. The mosquitoes were hungry and had a good feast at our expense. We arose at 4:00 a. m., saddled our horses, mounted, and started our day's journey to Nebaj, at the foot of a mountain. It took four hours to arrive at the top. It is barren, not a shade tree and when the sun shines it is too warm to be comfortable. However, it rained all that day. We rode down the mountain on the other side, climbed again, riding above the clouds part of the way, then down again to Nebaj.

We arrived at Nebaj at 3:00 p. m., clothing wet through, cold, and tired, but with the joy of the Lord in our hearts. The believers gave us a royal welcome. There was no stove where we could get warm so Truman opened the sleeping bags Brother Ingram brought. He told me to jump into mine. I shut up in that bag and it was not long until I was warm and sound asleep. We truly believe those bags saved us from having heavy

colds. We rested fine in them all night. The next day we awakened refreshed, ready to visit and attend the special services. The chapel was full. God did bless and gave liberty in the preaching of the Word. We had eight services in the chapel, and one in the home of an Indian family, just recently saved. They had bought a new home and wanted it dedicated to the Lord. It is a little adobe house, one room, mud walls, and mud floor, but as we knelt in prayer we shed tears of joy, praising the Lord for these precious Indians. The messages, with the exception of husband's and mine, were in the Indian dialect of Nabaj. We have prayed for many years for the souls of the Indians, with Brother Pullin and wife who labored there for eight years. Their prayers were answered after they had returned to the States. Three Indian families accepted the Lord. A goodly number of Ladinos (mixed race) are saved, sanctified, and baptized with the Holy Ghost. How sad they were when we bade them good-bye. They need a missionary and wife stationed with them. Pray with us that God will give them the desire of their hearts.

We left early in the morning, arriving at Sacapulso about 3:00 p. m., changed our clothing, got into the car and started for Quiche. We did not arrive there, however, for the engine stopped. Truman and a young man, who was with us, tried to discover the cause. They worked until 10:00 p. m. We decided to go to bed in the car. The sleeping bags were useful again. We slept or tried to sleep until daybreak. We had no supper, and no breakfast. We had planned to arrive at Quiche early. "All things work together for good to them who love the Lord, who are the called according to his purpose." God's ways are always best.

The young man with us slept on the road under the car, wrapped up in a blanket. He left us in the morning to see if he could find a home. He was gone a long time but came back with an Indian who brought hot "tortillas" (corn cakes), black corn "atol" (a drink made of ground corn, brown sugar, and water). We thanked God for it. It tasted real good to us. We told this Indian we were "evangelists," and told him of the saving power of Jesus. He invited us to his home and said we could sleep there any time. Pray with us that God will save his soul.

A bus came along and the driver fixed the car. We came through to Quiche and

on home to Totonicapan.

Thursday we visited the mission at Quezaltenango. God is blessing there. We are in services somewhere every night, also two services weekly in the afternoon. Don Jose M. Enriquez, pastor of the mission here, arrived home from a visit at Jutiapa Saturday. He preached in three stations while there. He reported victory in the work there. Our native workers are all faithful. Put them on your prayer list. Several of them have been real sick lately.—Yours in His glad service for Guatemala, Mrs. Carrie E. Furman, Totonicapan, Guatemala, C. A.

### Shouts! Praises! Hallelujahs! Bells Ringing, Fireworks Displayed as Mexico Grants Reopening of Church Doors

Dear readers of the Church of God Evangel, I couldn't help but praise the Lord when, in court, I received the papers which allow us free worship, so this entitled us to open the only two buildings that we have in the state, which are in Obregon City and Nogales. We are sorry to say that both of these buildings need to be repaired for we found that in Obregon City's church the beams of the roof are rotten, and the capacity is too small, so we have already thrown down the three background rooms and it will be twice as large as it was.

When our dear Brother J. H. Walker visited us, he may have noticed the extreme poverty of the members of the church and if we have already started this work, it is because we have much faith in God, who, I hope, will move your hearts and help us with your offerings. As the rainy season begins here the first week of June, we would appreciate that, if you wish to help us, you do so as soon as possible so the roof may be ready by that time. Send all contributions to E. J. Boehmer, General Secretary, Cleveland, Tenn.

I take advantage of this opportunity to call your attention to the need of a Bible institute to train our young folks here in Mexico. In case this couldn't be done here in Mexico, perhaps we could establish the institute in Arizona.

I'm very much encouraged by the willing response of the precious souls in Mexico. To my surprise, they are much more interested than we ever thought about.

It was good to my soul yesterday to hear for many hours the bells ringing and fireworks cracking as the great Cathedral's keys were granted to the people. PRAISE GOD FROM WHOM ALL BLESSINGS FLOW!—Your sister in the vineyard of the Master, Mary W. Atkinson, 139 Zaragoza St., Ciudad Obregon, Son., Mexico.



## Bible School Echoes

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How do people size you up? When you are asked questions about the Bible, do you feel embarrassed and bad? or does your knowledge of the Bible suggest your standing as a qualified Christian worker?

The CHURCH OF GOD BIBLE SCHOOL extends a welcome to all Christian men and women who desire to become better prepared for the work of the Lord.

The next term opens about the middle of October. Write for free information. Just send us a postal card.—Church of God Bible Training School, Cleveland, Tenn.

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### Correspondence Department

BY C. M. JENKSON

Our Correspondence Department welcomes seventy new students for the months of April and May. We are growing by leaps and bounds. The enrollment is reaching up to the 500 mark. Within two months, according to the present rate of growth, it will go well over 500. We ask every one to pray for this work, especially for those students who are working eight, nine, and ten hours each day and then studying and preparing their lessons at nights to send in to us. This is no easy job for them and we know each one needs your good prayers, which will help them greatly.

### OH, THAT I HAD AS MANY SOLDIERS AS MEN

Alexander the Great made a world empire for himself by the time he was thirty-two years old. On his campaign into ancient Persia, when confronted with armies twice the size of his own, and some of the men tired of the hardships, he exclaimed in a passionate moment, "Oh, that I had as many soldiers as men." The cry we make today is—

### "OH! THAT WE HAD AS MANY WORKERS AS CHRISTIANS"

The Bible Training School doesn't make Christians workers. The Lord baptizes them with power from on high and gives them the "go ye," but we do serve a great purpose in saving time in Bible study, and giving the Christian workers the fullest advantage of all the experience of Christian workers down through the ages. God often calls people into Christian work who had not at all planned to be Christians even—and they need Bible study and training for Christian work.

Perhaps there is an unusually large

number of the readers of this paper familiar with our announcements from time to time—but strange to say we receive many inquiries about the Correspondence work. The fact that so many of the readers of the Evangel are interested in a complete Course of Bible Study testifies to the deep spirituality of the readers and the entire Church of God.

## NOTICES

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The state camp meeting of the Church of God of Alabama will convene at Sumiton, Ala., beginning Wednesday night, June 30, and continuing through July 10. Ministers of the state, please leave off revival work and all come to the camp meeting. Bring your bedding and camping outfit. If you'd like to rent rooms write J. T. Tucker, Sumiton, Ala.—G. C. Dunn, overseer of Alabama.

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The Clinchfield district convention will convene at the Church of God at Duty, Va., June 4-6, with J. L. Dorman, state overseer, in charge. We want all the ministers and workers in the district to be present.—Roy D. Stevens, district pastor.

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Plans for the North Carolina Y. P. E. and Sunday School conventions are as follows: Salisbury district will convene at Kannapolis June 4-6; Greensboro district, at High Point, June 19, 20; Hayesville district, at Hayesville, N. C., June 25-27; Asheville district, at West Asheville, July 2-4. Visitors from throughout the state and other states are expected to attend the Asheville convention. Included in this number will be Brother J. L. McCoy, State Y. P. E. and S. S. Supt. of Georgia. Can we count on you? Charlotte district convention will convene at Camerton, July 9-11, in their pretty new church. We hope to have Sister Alda B. Harison with us at this convention. God has been blessing in the conventions and we expect His sweet presence in the others. Come one, come all, Y. P. E's and Sunday Schools, let's do our best to attend these conventions in your respective district especially. Pray hard and make them a success. Remember the special drive for breaking all previous attendance records in both Y. P. E. and Sunday School June 13. Begin now and over the top we'll go. May God bless each of you.—T. C. Franklin, State Y. P. E. and S. S. Supt., Box 6055, W. Asheville, N. C.

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To all the Sunday Schools and Y. P. E's in Alabama: The Sunday School banner is at Anniston at present. There has not been very much increase made in the Sunday School work and it is hard to tell where the banner belongs. We had

our Sunday School superintendent with us here Sunday. We surely did enjoy her good talk. She is a blessing in this line of work. Pastors, it will mean a blessing to your church to have Sister Baird and Edith to visit your place and make a talk on the Sunday School and Y. P. E. work. But they can't go very far without finance. It seems that our people don't have this work at heart as they should. A good Y. P. E. and Sunday School will be a blessing to your church and community and you don't have a very good church without this line of work. Pastors, we are to blame if our secretaries don't report. Please see that they report every month so as to build up this work in the state. When Sister Baird and Edith visit your church, take a good offering for them so they can get to the other places, and please send in your report as early as possible so we can tell who gets the banner each month. Let's think seriously about this and have a balanced line of work.—Kyle K. Adams, Sec. and Treas., Dora, Ala.

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If any one knows J. F. Hewitt, commonly known as Ferd Hewitt, please notify Sarah Poindexter, his mother, Rt. 1, Rayville, Louisiana.—Joe Cannon, Rt. 1, Rayville, La.

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There will be a district convention at the Mt. Zion church, Roosevelt, Ark., June 11-13, W. V. Johnson in charge. Our state overseer, Odis Smith, is expected to be there.—W. V. Johnson, Bald Knob, Ark.

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To whom it may concern: The address of W. M. and Helen L. Morrow and Margaret E. James is now Box 172, Huntington, Indiana.—Helen L. Morrow.

## People Are Stirred Here

LOMBARDY, Miss.—We started a meeting here Monday night, May 17. There were three in the altar the first night but by Friday night there were twenty-one in the altar. Sunday we could not count them but every one who was old enough to seek salvation were in the altar, except about five. The power of God fell so that we continued the service from three o'clock until nine Sunday night. Sixteen received the Holy Ghost the first week and, the best we could count them, about thirty-five have been saved and thirty sanctified. All the white folks on this plantation are stirred. They want a Church of God here. We are having services in a home but some of the men have begun an arbor. We want an all-day meeting and baptizing about June 6. Pray for us here.—Mary E. Wright, exhorter, c/o Edd Lynchard.

## Reports

### Ft. Worth, Tex. Dist. Conv'n.

The Fort Worth, Tex. district convention for 1937 has come and gone but many happy remembrances linger on. God met with us and dwelt among us from the very first service. Friday, 7:30 p. m., the convention opened with choir singing and the singers seemed to be at their best. Brother Wilma Henry, the local pastor, gave the welcome address and response was made by Sister Pennington of Lannius and Brother Curtis Thompson, pastor at Dallas. With such good fellowship prevailing it seemed easy for Brother Pennington to deliver the evening message. It was a good Biblical message and made us realize more how wonderful Christ is to us. Brother Payne was so full of appreciation he got up to express it and had one of his old-time "walking, talking spells," as we ex-students remember it. The services Saturday were mostly business throughout in which a good spirit of unity dominated. Many other folks arrived Saturday, including Brother and Sister Waters and the Burnett trio from Bible School, Brother Hooper Maxwell and Brother Wilemon of Tennessee. Brother Waters was in charge of the singing that night and both the class and special singing was good. The Burnett trio rendered a number of specials, also the Assembly of God quartet who was visiting with us. Brother Maxwell then brought a fine message, followed by one by Brother Wilemon.

Sunday morning we met again at 9:30 a. m. After the song service the churches of the district made their reports. These reports were encouraging as each church reported a gain. Brother Curtis Thompson gave an inspiring talk on Sunday School followed by Sister Ford who spoke in behalf of the Willing Workers. Brother Waters brought the message on Missions after which an offering was taken. Brother Payne then gave a heart-to-heart talk, mostly for the ministers. A collection was then taken for him. At this time the service was dismissed long enough for dinner to be spread and eaten, but we gathered soon afterward for the afternoon service. We had a number of visitors from here in the city with us in this service, including "The Friendly Quartet" and other good singers. The afternoon service was just turned into a singing and we enjoyed the gospel in song. At 3:30 p. m. the convention ended. We felt much good was accomplished for God and His cause. May we have many more such conventions until

Jesus comes.—Sincerely, Ruby Truesdell, 1306 Circle Park Blvd., Ft. Worth, Tex.

### A Few Remarks About the Revival at South Cleveland

About the first of April a revival began at the South Cleveland, Tenn. church, running for five weeks with good success. The pastor, Brother Carl Cox, was in charge.

We had old-time testimony meetings and altar services and gave the people a chance to pray through to victory. I don't know the exact number but there were about fifteen or twenty saved and sanctified, eight filled with the Holy Ghost and five added to the church. We certainly praise the Lord for this.

One special feature about the revival was that the saints gathered in different rooms of the church before meeting and prayed the power down. God came on the scene and wonderfully blessed in the services. "Prayer changes things." The saints were greatly encouraged to press on and help others find Jesus. If we are to have a revival we must have God in it. Praise the name of Jesus!

May God bless all who are in the battle field for souls' salvation and may this be the best year you have ever had.—Geneva Prevo, Cleveland, Tenn.

### Cleveland, Miss. Dist. Conv'n.

The Cleveland, Miss. district convention has come and gone but the blessings we received will linger with us. The convention began Friday night with a good song service after which Brother Wm. R. Fowler, the pastor, gave the welcome address. By this time the glory of God was coming down. Brother M. J. Headley, our state overseer, brought us a wonderful message.

Saturday morning service opened at 9:30 with songs, prayer and music. At 10:00 o'clock Brother M. L. Kuhn of Greenville brought a message and at 11:00 o'clock Brother Fowler preached for us. This was a wonderful service. The afternoon service was good. Brother M. C. Cockrell preached for us. At 7:30 service opened again with songs and prayer. Sisters Mixon and Womack came in during this service. They are two young ladies traveling in the work of the Lord. They sang and played some specials for us and the glory of God came down. We had a good, old-time praise service, after which Brother Fowler preached an evangelistic message and several came to the altar. An offering was taken at this service for the state overseer.

Sunday morning service opened at 9:00 with songs, prayers and music. The crowd was there—people from all parts of the Mississippi delta. At 10:30 Sister

Tidwell brought a message after which an offering was taken for missions in the amount of \$31.00. Brother Headley talked some at this time after which we were dismissed for noon. Sunday afternoon service opened with a good devotional service. An offering was taken at this time. Brother M. T. Williams then preached, followed by Brother Headley who talked on the state headquarters and took pledges and an offering for this to the amount of \$62.50.

We had several visitors with us—some of the Foursquare Gospel people, also several ministers for whom we didn't have time on the program. Brother L. G. Rouse was with us on Sunday. We surely were glad to have them all. The reports of the churches were given Sunday morning. There were some good reports. The people at Cleveland surely did entertain this convention well. I think everybody enjoyed being in those good homes.

The convention closed at 4:30 Sunday evening with handshakes and good-byes. —Your sister in Christ, Mrs. W. R. Fowler.

### Report of Somerset, Pa. Dist. Convention

The Somerset, Pa. district convention of the Church of God convened at Boswell, Pa., April 23-25, with Brother H. O. Harris, district overseer, in charge.

The welcome address was given Friday evening by the Boswell pastor, Brother Frazier, with response by Sisters Margie Hostetler, Edna Albright and Brother Pelton, after which Brother C. H. Blankenship, state overseer, brought the evening message.

Saturday morning Brother Raymond Nuzum preached, followed by a sermon by Brother B. W. Miller. Other messages were given by Brothers Kessler, who is evangelizing in this district, Ralph Koshewitz, from a visiting district, and Brother Burton. Brother Bryant gave a very touching mission talk from his experiences in foreign fields, after which a mission offering was taken amounting to \$12.62. The Y. P. E. services were conducted by our state Y. P. E. superintendent, Sister Alva Mae McClure, and our district superintendent, Sister Marie Nuzum. They certainly are doing a fine work for our young people and God is blessing their efforts. Fine talent was displayed by our young people throughout these services. Brother Newport brought the evening message which was very good.

Sunday morning we opened service with a large number present. A talk on Sunday School was given by the district superintendent, Brother Frank Singo, and Sister Alva Mae McClure, state Sunday School superintendent. Brother C. H.



Blankenship brought a very good message. We then had the call of the six churches on the district. Our Sunday night Y. P. E. service was really wonderful. The heavens seemed to open and showers of blessings fell. Sister McClure led a hallelujah march and my, how the power fell! I'm sure it was encouraging to all and gave us a new zeal and determination to go on with the Lord. Brother Blankenship delivered the closing message, which was very uplifting and encouraging. Many special songs were rendered throughout all the services. Meals were served by the sisters of the Boswell church. I'm sure we can all say it was good to have been there.—Miss Dolly Lint, Somerset, Pa.

### Jacksonville, Fla. District Convention Report

The Jacksonville district convention convened at the Church of God at Lake City, April 30-May 2, with our state overseer, Brother E. W. Williams, in charge. Service opened Friday night with songs and prayer followed by the welcome address by the local pastor, Brother C. E. Godwin. Responses were made by Brothers J. C. Sellers, E. K. Centers, Dowling, V. C. Coleman, Land, Jesse Coleman, O'Steen, and Newton. The Jacksonville trio favored us with a special after which Brother Williams brought the evening message. The Lord was surely with him.

Saturday morning service opened with a good devotional service at 10:00 o'clock. Following this Brother W. F. Hudson talked to us followed by a message by Brother D. W. Mills. The afternoon service opened with songs and prayer followed by Brother Paul Taylor bringing a message. Following this a business meeting was held, instructions being given to ministers, Sunday School and Y. P. E. workers. We had a very good night service with good songs, prayers and testimonies. Brother Williams again brought a message and closed it with an altar service.

Sunday was a high day in Zion. Brother Baldree of Macclenny preached for us. My, how the Lord did bless him and we drank it in. We had some good special music during the day. Brother T. W. Godwin gave a good talk after which a mission offering was taken. Yes, Tampa, we can beat it and \$100.00 better and here we come with \$336.00 for missions. Praise the Lord. My, how we do thank Him for it. We realize the Lord was in it. Dinner was spread beneath the trees and the natural man was fed. Afternoon service opened with songs and prayer. After this short talks were made by Brothers D. W. Mills on the Evangel, Brother Paul Taylor, State News, and J.

M. Baldree, B. T. S. (State), and subscriptions were solicited for the aforesaid. Following this the various churches made their reports and the benediction followed.

The presence of the Lord was with us throughout the convention and did not leave just because it closed. Brother Hudson stayed on through the night service and preached and the Lord surely blessed. Please pray that the Lord will continue to bless in a greater way.—Your sister in Christ, Laura Chasteen.

### Coffeyville Dist. Convention

We have just closed our district convention which convened in Independence, Kans., May 7-9, with out-of-district folks present to help receive showers of blessings from our Lord. We had representatives from Wichita, Pittsburg, Weir City and Cherokee, Kans., besides the people of our own district.

The service started 8:00 o'clock Friday evening with singing. The welcome address was given by our dear Brother C. G. Crosson. It seemed that the good Spirit hovered over us from the beginning to the ending. Our beloved overseer was at his best for God, it seemed, when he gave his message Friday night, which stirred everyone to more confidence in God.

Service opened Saturday with singing by the Weir quartet which was greatly enjoyed by all. A good message was given from God's Word by Brother Tommie Raczykowski, who has just lately become a member and minister of the Church of God. We appreciate this dear brother. Next was teaching to ministers and workers by Brother J. B. Baney, state overseer. In the afternoon so many good things were done and said. We had an orphanage discussion by Sister Crossman, Brother E. B. Wilkins, and Brother J. B. Baney. Brother E. J. Martin brought a message. The fact about it is we can't tell you just how good it all was. We had other speakers—Brother Lee of Wichita, Brother Line of Coffeyville, Brother E. M. Meade of Weir, Brother Priest of Oklahoma, and other visiting ministers. We had quartets from Weir and Coffeyville also other singers. The Y. P. E. program was enjoyed.

We are encouraged about the work in Kansas as the last night revealed such an income. Brother Baney brought the message on the church and eleven came in the church. Such shouting and praising all over the tent! It seemed like a home coming. Praise God, I can feel that spirit yet. Never have I witnessed such a scene. Independence is a new church, but it is a prosperous one. Everybody seemed to leave with a determination to

go to work. A revival is continuing which we believe will be a success.—C. C. Rains, district pastor, 115 Grace, Coffeyville, Kans.

### Washington, Pa. Convention

The Washington district convention convened at Washington, Pa., May 7-9, with C. H. Shaw, district overseer, presiding. Our state overseer, C. H. Blankenship, the Hathcock evangelistic party of North Carolina and L. G. Rouse were among those present.

At the outset a strong note of spiritual optimism was sounded which increased as the convention services continued. Unusually inspiring and effective messages were brought by all the speakers. Sister Margaret Rowe, one of the Hathcock evangelistic party, and a former orphan of our Cleveland orphanage, touched the hearts of all present by her appreciative talks about the orphanage. Sunday evening the Mother's Day program by the Y. P. E. under the leadership of Sister Alva Mae McClure, state S. S. and Y. P. E. Supt., was inspiring.

The Church of God is strongly entrenched in Pennsylvania and has a fine corp of loyal ministers and laity who are co-operating for the glory of God and the advancement of the Church of God. Our state overseer delivered some timely messages respecting the work of God in this great state. The convention closed with a strong message by Brother L. G. Rouse on divine healing and a healing service.—Norman Cunningham, secretary, 428 9th Ave., Beaver Falls, Pa.

### His Ears Are Opened to Their Cries

I praise the Lord for saving a sinner like me, sanctifying and baptizing me with the good Holy Ghost about five years ago and the way grows brighter every day. He has healed me of some kind of spells I had all my life. He still hears and answers prayer when we obey Him. I believe Jesus is soon coming after His people and I surely want to be ready to go. Dear readers, remember that the Lord is still on the throne and will hear His children when they call. His ears are open to their cries. I feel like shouting now. Lots of people have quit shouting, but if we live a holy life we will keep the victory in our souls.

I saw the Lord heal my husband and daughter of the fever about four years ago and they have never had the fever since. It seems I have more to praise the Lord for than anyone else, but I know I haven't. All of us have the Holy Ghost but the baby. He is eleven years old and I am praying for the Lord to save him. He doesn't take medicine when he gets sick, but says, "Mamma, pray for me,"

sick and God heals his body.

I have one little daughter gone on to glory who was saved and sanctified and if I be true to Jesus and fight the good fight of faith I will get to see her, and the best of all I will get to see our blessed Savior in glory.

I thank the Lord for our good pastor and his wife, Brother and Sister Carl Godwin, they have meant so much to us since being here at Lake City, Fla. church. Pray for me to be faithful to Jesus.—A sister in the Lord, Mrs. P. D. Harrington, Rt. 2, Lake City, Fla.

### District Convention Blessing to Hungry Souls

Our district meeting was held at the Church of God at Rebecca near Lexington, Ala., beginning 7:30 Friday night with songs and prayer. Devotional service was conducted by Brother G. W. Padgett and the Lord blessed in a wonderful way. Praise His dear name! A message was then brought by Brother Murray.

Saturday morning at 10:00 o'clock service began with songs and prayer. The power of the Holy Ghost was manifested. Praise the Lord. A message was then brought by our state overseer, Brother G. C. Dunn, and we thank the Lord for the food that He gave our hungry souls. Glory to God! An altar call was given and five made their way to the altar seeking heaven's sweet Holy Ghost. The afternoon service began with songs and prayer, then each minister had a chance to bring the message that was on his heart and mind. Our speakers were: Brother Murray, Sister B. H. Clark, Brother Potts, Brother G. W. Padgett, Sister Springer, and Brother Phillips. Evening service began with songs and prayer, the devotional service being led by our district overseer, Brother Berryhill, and the Lord wonderfully blessed. A message was brought by Brother Dunn and an offering was given in the amount of \$7.35, for which we praise God.

Sunday morning service began with song and prayer. The Lord came on the scene. A message was brought by Brother Dunn. An altar call was made and several went to the altar. In the afternoon after the devotional service a collection for missions was taken in the amount of \$7.36. We thank God for everyone who gave, for God loves a cheerful giver. We had church reports, then Brother Potts brought a message. This brought our meeting to a close.—G. F. McGuir, clerk.

### Our Schools Are Moving On

GRANTHAM, Jam., B. W. I.—I thank God for our Sunday School and the wonderful way He is blessing us. I

became superintendent of the Grantham school July 5, 1936 at which time there were sixty-eight scholars on roll. Sunday last we had one hundred forty-five.

On March 31, 1937 we held a Sunday School rally at Desire. The schools were: Desire, Union, Grantham, Farm, Largo, Mt. Surprise, McCoy, Barrocks, and Bankers Hill. We were welcomed with singing and marching. We then had special singing by different ones followed by prayer. The opening song was given by the Desire school after which the welcome address was given by C. A. Morris, district pastor. Response to the welcome address was given by L. C. Thomas, B. Spencer, G. A. Powell, G. A. Wolfe, and W. Henry. A lecture was given by Elder S. A. Lewinson. Elder C. A. Morris also gave an exhortation on the same subject. Sister I. Lewinson of Farm Sunday School gave a talk followed by Deacon Gabriel, W. Davy, and Sister H. Christie.

The many recitations, special songs, talks, and addresses during the day were enjoyed by all who were present. The Sunday Schools showed an improvement in their work.

This was a wonderful rally. It is the first time we ever enjoyed such wonderful time in Sunday School and we are looking forward to the next one. Please pray for us. We are expecting wonderful things to be accomplished.—G. A. Powell, deacon, superintendent and clerk.

### Ft. Payne, Ala. Dist. Conv'n.

The Fort Payne district convention convened at the Straight Creek Church of God, April 23-25. Service opened on Friday night with songs and prayers. After a few remarks by Brother W. H. Preston, district pastor, there was a testimony service, followed by a very interesting message by Brother Dunn, state overseer.

On Saturday the convention opened with songs and prayers. Talks were given by Brothers Carroll and Maples. Brother Dunn brought the message. Saturday night was a good service. After songs, prayers and a testimony service led by Brother Preston, Brother Shirey, a Baptist minister, gave a good talk which was timely and appreciated. Then a good sermon followed by Brother H. M. Nance, district pastor of the Scottsboro district.

Sunday there was a very large crowd. After songs and prayers Brother Lonnie Galloway led the testimony service. After this Brother Dunn brought another good message, which was so appropriate and we feel it was appreciated and enjoyed by those present. During his sermon there was a message and interpretation given. Before this sermon an offering was taken for Brother Dunn. At the noon hour a

nice dinner was spread. In the afternoon Brother Dunn gave a talk on missions and an offering was taken which amounted to \$26.00. Then followed the reporting of the different churches on the district: Highway represented by Brother O. J. Plake; Mentone, Ala. and the Menlo, Ga. churches represented by Brother Lonnie Galloway, and Straight Creek represented by Brother W. H. Preston. Each of these pastors gave a short talk on the progress of their respective churches. Just after the close of the convention there was a healing service in which there was shouting and rejoicing.—Jessie L. Wilson, Rt. 2, Fyffe, Ala.

### Not Tired of the Way

PINE HILL, Ala. — Dear saints, I praise God this morning for victory in my soul. I am still a member of the dear old Church of God and have been since 1918. I'm not the least bit tired of the blessed old way. Hallelujah!

Brother John Hartline is our pastor at Sunny South, Ala.—a man who is a fire for God, also his wife is a live coal and on the firing line.

We have a nice Sunday School. Brother J. L. Johnson, our superintendent, is a worthy man, a true blue member. In fact, our little church is trying to make a mark for our Lord and Master. Praise His blessed name. Pray much for us. My wife and I make our home a home of prayer for our Lord and Master. Pray that we will live a consecrated life for God.

I have had a growth on my face for seven or eight years. One or two doctors pronounced it a skin cancer. I'm trusting God for the healing. I know He can heal me. Glory to His name! I ask all the saints in the entire Church to join me in prayer in Jesus' sweet name that I will be healed. May God bless the dear saints of the entire Church of God is my feeble prayer.—Your brother in Christ, G. W. Maness.

### The Power to Overcome

I praise the Lord because He gives us the power to overcome the wiles of the devil. I am happy because the Lord saved, sanctified, and filled me with the Holy Ghost seven years ago, one Sunday morning in Sunday School. I have belonged to the Church of God for four years and the Lord has helped me live up to the whole standard of the Church of God. The Lord made me take off my rings, quit cutting my hair and chewing gum in church.

Please pray for me that the Lord will carry me through and show me what to do for Him.—Estelle Armstrong, Rt. 4, Box 61, Santa Ana, Calif.

## News from Arizona, California, and Nevada



Although the work has not prospered as we hoped it would, yet we are thankful for the way the Lord has blessed and we are believing God for greater things. God has been good to us in many ways, for which we praise Him. We did not have a single Sunday School having a hundred in attendance at the first of the year. Now we have three that have gone over the one hundred mark and one that reaches eighty-five. One has gone over two hundred and fifty.

Brother John Sharp is serving as district pastor of the Arizona district. He is also pastoring Bisbee church. God certainly is blessing his efforts there. They are having good crowds and souls are finding their way to God.

We have a Spanish church in Tucson. Brother Huerta is pastor. We have no way of communicating with them as they do not speak English.

Brother Tapley is pastor at Phoenix. We were with them for three weeks. The good folks were getting things together and getting into the service again. They had been out of service for several months. Brother Saunders is pastor of the colored church in Phoenix. They are buying a lot in a good location and expect to build.

Brother Sanderson is over the Imperial, Calif. district and is a faithful worker and pastor of the Imperial church.

Blythe is pressing on with victory and Brother Miller is their good pastor and has his heart in the work. We appreciate his faithful service in Blythe.

Brother Byrd is pastor at Huntington Beach and is doing a good work there. This is his first pastorate and he is making splendid progress. He was appointed over Nevada district, but he went to Huntington Beach for a meeting and Brother Hartrickson turned the church over to him and he went to Santa Ana Gardens. Brother Hartrickson is district pastor of the Huntington Beach district. He reports things on the upward trend in the Gardens. They are at work on a new church building now, having built a small parsonage this year, under the leadership of Brother Claud Sharp. We hated to give Brother Sharp up but trust the Lord is blessing him in Oklahoma.

Sister Jeffreys is serving the church as pastor in Corona. God has certainly blessed there. The picture above is the beautiful church that has just been dedicated. The Sunday School in Corona has gone over the two hundred and fifty mark. We are thankful for what God is

doing in Corona.

Brother Bengé is district pastor of the Los Angeles district, also pastor of the church in Long Beach. He is a real pastor and God is blessing his labors in Long Beach.

We have no active church in Los Angeles, but we are expecting to have one soon, by the help of the Lord.

Baldwin Park is the oldest church in the state and they are gaining interest all the time, with Sister Wilson serving as leader. God has blessed and they have added three nice Sunday School rooms this year. There are several looking towards the Church of God in and around Baldwin Park.

Brother Johnson is district pastor of the Fresno district. We have no church there yet but expect to have one before the Assembly. We appreciate the grit and determination of Brother and Sister Johnson. They are willing to go into the hard places without complaining. God bless them.

Sister Evaratts is living in Fallon, Nev. By the time you are reading this we will be in a meeting there. We have rented the Townsend Club Hall which seats about two hundred and fifty. We get it  
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## Requests

Brother L. G. Rouse's address is changed from Metz, W. Va. to 375 Lakeside Court, Akron, Ohio.

Please pray earnestly that God will heal me soon.—Mrs. Zyepher Davis, Troy, Tenn.

I am very sick in body. My stomach has been hurting for three months. Please pray that God will touch my body.—Alice Harkins, Suches, Ga.

Pray for my mother, Mrs. Lizzie Gibson of Russellville, Ala., Rt. 1. Remember me and my family in prayer also.—Mrs. H. T. Tharp.

Please help us pray for the revival that is now in progress at the Kelley's Ferry Church of God, with Brother Towns doing the preaching. Pray for me. I also have an unspoken request.—Mildred Richie, Rt. 4, St. Elmo, Tenn.

Please pray for the healing of my body.—Lois Agee Shaw, Largo, Fla.

Please pray earnestly that God will undertake for a meeting here at Lane, Okla. We need a revival more than anything in this world. The poor unsaved will never be saved until some of God's children come here and help us fight the devil and preach the Word of God. Please don't fail to pray. Pray for our unsaved children.—Mary Belcher, Lane, Okla.

Do pray earnestly that the Lord will heal one of our young people, Hazel Kilpatrick, Canton, Ga., who has been failing in health for sometime and now she is seriously ill. She is a member of the Church of God and requests prayer.

We will start a revival at the Church of God at Mountain City, Ga., on Sunday night, June 6. Please pray for us that this will be a great soul-saving revival and many will be sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost.—W. A. Goss, district overseer, Box 204, Lavonia, Ga.

Please hold me up to God in prayer. I am sorely in need of prayer. I am having severe head trouble which is badly impairing my hearing. Won't each of you remember me in prayer?—Miss Orla Lewis, Rt. 2, Box 165A, Marshall, N. C.

I ask that you call on God in my behalf for I need help in many ways. Ask

God to heal me of a cough that the flu left me with about two months ago. Pray that God will provide a way for me and my children to be in service sometimes.—Ella Brewer, 9463 College Grove Ave., Chicago, Ill.

Please pray for the healing of my body. I have been suffering for two years.—Vestie Dovies, Gastonia, N. C.

Dear saints, a few weeks ago I requested prayer for my father and thank God there has been a change. Mother says he is saved. Pray for both of them to see the light on holiness and the Church of God.—Mamie McGuire, Gastonia, N. C.

Pray for me and my children to be healed. Pray for my husband also. Pray for a cousin of mine, Mrs. W. E. Anderson, Haylow, Ga., who has been in bed a long time and doesn't get any better. Pray that she will be saved.—Vercie Bennett, Lake Park, Ga.

Please pray a special prayer for a lady here who has been ill a long time and is requesting prayer for her healing.—E. V. Williams, Middlesboro, Ky.

Please pray for me and my husband. Also pray for a neighbor of mine who has a very bad cancer. He is sixty-five years of age and asks that the saints pray for him. Doctors have given him up.—Mrs. Ruth Safford, Mineola, Texas.

Please pray earnestly for my little boy who has been an invalid for three years. He fell down a flight of stairs and injured his spine. He hasn't talked in a year nor walked in three years. Pray that he might be healed.—Mrs. H. Slater, Chattanooga, Tenn.

Dear saints, when you go before God in prayer, please remember my family. I also have an unspoken request. God understands. Please don't neglect to pray.—Mrs. G. A. Price, Foxworth, Miss.

Please pray earnestly for little Margie Steel who has had asthma nearly all her life. Her parents are not saved. Pray for her to be healed, also pray for me, I am very nervous, and pray for her parents.—Mrs. C. L. Ferguson, Weir, Miss.

On May 8 a truck ran over a little boy here and they rushed him to the hospital. The doctors said there was no chance for him to live. I called several of the Christians and asked them to pray for God to spare the child's life. I requested prayer for him next day as it was Sunday. I wrote to different people for prayer, among them was Brother Rouse. God

wonderfully touched him and he is now on the road to recovery. He is still in the hospital. Please keep praying for him.—Mrs. Olga Bagwell, Atlanta, Ga.

Pray for me to be made holy, sanctified, and filled with the Holy Ghost, and that I might be healed in body.—Mrs. I. B. Harris, Culberson, N. C.

Please pray for my mother who is in bad health. She has been bedfast ever since December 1. She is at the point of death now. She is a Christian and has faith in God. An anointed handkerchief will be appreciated. Pray for me and my husband as we are unsaved.—Mrs. Melvin Morgan, Rt. 3, Dayton, Tenn.

Pray for me. I have an unspoken request.—Beulah Sims, Rt. 2, Edgewood, Tex.

Pray for my two sons and daughter to be saved, also pray for me. Pray for a sister, Gertrude Miller, who has recently been saved and has not walked in over nine months.—Lena Reid, Crowder, Miss.

Please pray for the healing of my body. I have seen sick sometime with rheumatism but am trusting God.—Rebecca Morgan, Rt. 4, Box 5, Hayesville, N. C.

Pray for my sister and her husband who are both sinners, also pray for my brother and son to be saved. I have an unspoken request. Pray for me to get closer to God.—Mrs. Paul Franklin, Rt. 4, Clarksville, Ga.

Dear readers, pray for me and my family to draw nearer to God. I am a believer but my husband is not and I don't have much of a good way of going. My health is not good. Pray that I will be healed. Don't forget to pray for my family.—Mrs. W. D. Hamrick, Rt. 1, Roswell, Ga.

I had a stroke of paralysis last March a year ago and have been crippled ever since. Pray for the Lord to completely heal me.—Mrs. Ludie Bell Dobbs, Hogansville, Ga., 79 East Main St.

Pray for my husband to be saved and pray for me that God will help me overcome.—Mrs. Dolly Seabolt, 52 Mill St., New Holland, Ga.

We are starting a meeting in Screven, Ga., on Main Street. This is a new field. Pray for a revival spirit to break out here. We have a fifteen-day permit on a brick store building so pray that we will have victory.—J. L. Harrison, pastor, Jesup, Ga.

## Statements Sent to the Following Returned

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J. C. Brooks, Charleston, S. C.  
H. P. Williams, Abilene, Tex.

### Request

Please don't pass this carelessly by but pray earnestly till your prayers go through, for a sister and her home in Cairo, Ga. She says her trials are severe, the home is badly in need of prayer, and the mother needs special prayer.

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every night except Saturday. Pray that God will give us success in this place. This is a hard field to work in as there are so many different kinds of Pentecostal works and some that are not very good examples of holiness.

I want to express my appreciation of the good people here in these three states. They have been so nice and good to us. We just roll our trailer up to their church or house and connect on to their lights and they bring in the groceries and make us feel so welcome. Fellow ministers, let us work hard from now until the Assembly. See that your church is up with your mission quota and let's have a report that we will be proud to make at the Assembly. You have been good in doing all I have asked you to do and I know you won't fail me in this. God bless you all is my prayer.—Sincerely yours, E. M. Ellis, overseer of California, Nevada, and Arizona.

### Healed by God's Power

Dear saints, I had something like an abscess on my jaw bone from my tooth; it was very sore and looked bad. My health was so bad I wasn't able to have it pulled. Now it has gone down and the soreness is gone. The Lord gets the praise for it. There's nothing too small or too great for the Lord to heal when we believe, not doubting, bless His name.—Lucille White, Logan, Ala.

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## Renew Our Days as of Old

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wherein shall we return? Will a man rob God? yet ye have robbed me, but ye say wherein have we robbed thee? in tithes and offerings. Ye are cursed with a curse, for ye have robbed me, even this whole nation." We believe that through the failure to honor God with our tithes we are still under the curse that he cursed Israel with for Malachi was a last-day prophet.

By so doing we have robbed ourselves of many blessings of God, and instead of receiving a blessing and adding to our personal experiences and our pastoral duties, we have been cursed and the work has lagged and dragged. "Renew our days as of old, O God."

As a pastor in the great Church of God I have noticed that when the members and all paid their tithes and did the other things the Bible requires, the power would fall and unity and fellowship could be felt in every service, but when they failed the blessings waned and the devil began to rob them of their power, the services became more formal and dry and conviction ceased to come upon sinners.

Dear saints, when we fail God, He will fail us and will withhold His blessings from us. Now if you do not have unity and fellowship, and are not receiving the greatest of blessings, start paying your tithes giving in the offerings, praying, etc., then you will get the blessing you need, God has promised it. He says, "Prove me now herewith, . . . if I will not open the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing." You may ask in what way will we receive blessings, and why? God's promise to Malachi (3:7-10), was that "there shall be meat in mine house," God's house. You might ask how we can feed God. By supplying His ministers, Jesus said, "I was an hungred, and ye gave me meat: I was thirsty, and ye gave me drink," etc. "Then shall the righteous answer, saying, Lord, when saw we thee an hungred, and fed thee? or thirsty, and gave thee drink?" etc. Then the Lord shall answer, "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me."

You, by paying your tithes and giving in the offerings, put the meat in God's ministers' houses, and clothing and milk for his brethren, and God has promised He would open the windows of Heaven and bless you for it. Do you want a blessing that you won't have room to receive?

Abraham paid tithes and Jacob his grandson valued the blessings of God greater than one-tenth of his increase. Gen. 28:20, "And Jacob vowed a vow, saying, If God will be with me, and will

keep me in this way that I go, and will give me bread to eat, and raiment to put on, so that I come again to my father's house in peace; then shall the Lord be my God, and this stone, which I have set for a pillar, shall be God's house: and of all that thou shalt give me I will surely give the tenth unto thee."

Gal. 3:26, 29, "For ye are all the children of God by faith in Christ Jesus. And if we be Christ's, then are we Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise." Verses 7, 9, "Know ye therefore that they which are of faith, the same are the children of Abraham. So then they which be of faith are blessed with faithful Abraham."

If we are not paying our tithes, can we feel justified when we say that we are the children of Abraham? In Jno. 8:41 Jesus says that if we were the children of Abraham we would do the works of Abraham. "What doth it profit, my brother, though a man say he hath faith, and have not works? For as the body without the spirit is dead, so faith without works is dead," James 2:14, 26.

Prov. 3:9, 10, "Honor the Lord with thy substance, and with the firstfruits of all thine increase: so shall thy barns be filled with plenty."

God has not only promised to bless us spiritually, but has promised to bless us literally. He said He would fill our barns with plenty and our presses would burst out with new wine, and I will say right here and now that if our nation is ever brought back to prosperity, it will be by obedience to His blessed Word. Let us be loyal to God and pay our tithes. He has promised if we would He would rebuke the devourer for our sakes and He would not destroy the fruit of the ground, "neither shall your vine cast her fruit before the time in the field, saith the Lord of hosts. And all nations shall call you blessed: for ye shall be a delightsome land saith the lord of hosts." So let us say as Israel said, Of all that thou hast said we will do, and be obedient. Bless His dear name!

Through the loyalty of the ministers and members of the great Church of God, in paying their tithes and giving offerings, we have been able to carry the gospel to some of the foreign lands, but if every one would be loyal we could send it in a big way and give so many more a chance to see what the Church of God is and stands for.

My prayer is that this humble message will have its effect on the hearts of the readers. May the good Lord richly bless all who read it.

## Thankful for the Lord's Blessings

I am glad of the privilege of coming

again with praises to Jesus for His great love and mercy and the way He still blesses me. I am so glad I can still report victory. It means so much to truthfully say Jesus still keeps us victorious over sin and Satan in these evil days, especially when we don't have the chance to be in services to get soul food. How I praise Him for the Comforter that still abides, and how He blesses me even in my home as I pray or talk on the Word. The Spirit and power comes down and brings refreshing showers to my soul. I praise Him because I know He is a great Healer Divine for He undertook for me last year and raised me up when it seemed death was my only relief. I want to be at my post of duty working till He comes or calls. If there ever was a time people are drifting from God it's now and the end is so near. The Lord is coming soon.—Mrs. Nora Hadden, Rt. 2, Uvalda, Ga.

## STATE CONVENTIONS

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Pennsylvania (Somerset) June 30-July 4  
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Kentucky (Somerset) ..... Aug. 20-22  
Missouri ..... Aug. 27-29  
Maine (Appleton) New England States, New Hampshire, Vermont, Mass., R. I., and Conn.—Sept. 1-7.

New York ..... Sept. 7-8  
District of Columbia ..... Sept. 9

Oklahoma ..... July 9-11  
Mississippi ..... July 16-18

Arkansas ..... Aug. 13-15

Montana (Bigtimber) ..... June 17-20

Iowa and Nebraska ..... July 13-15

Kansas ..... July 16-18

Illinois ..... July 20-22

Maryland ..... July 23-25

Georgia (Macon) ..... July 27-29

Louisiana ..... July 30-Aug. 1

Texas (Weatherford) ..... Aug. 5-8

The angel fell; but did he defile heaven? Adam fell; but did not defile Paradise. Judas fell; but did he defile the company of the apostles? And if there is an unworthy member in the Church, he cannot defile the fellowship of saints.

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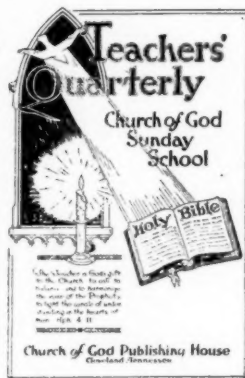
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